

House Resolution No. 4832

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Richard L. “Dick” Arens, an esteemed resident of Montgomery City, Missouri, who has distinguished himself as the proud recipient of the 2003 Outstanding Achievement Award; and

Whereas, a lifelong resident of Montgomery City, Dick Arens has compiled an enviable list of service to his community through his affiliation with such important organizations as the Jaycees Club, the Montgomery City Chamber of Commerce, Montgomery City Growth, the Montgomery County R-II School District, the Montgomery City Council, Immaculate Conception Church, and the Kiwanis Club, of which he has been a member for more than forty-nine years; and

Whereas, Dick Arens provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as the proud owner and operator of Arens Oil and LP Gas Company for many years, during which time he also owned several convenient stores and served as a member of the Missouri Petroleum Marketers Association and the Mobil Oil National Advisory Council; and

Whereas, Dick Arens officially retired from the convenient store business in 2001, since which time he has had more time to improve his golf game, visit with his grandchildren, work in his garden, and spend time with friends and family in Florida and at the Lake of the Ozarks; and

Whereas, born in 1933, Dick Arens graduated from Montgomery City High School in 1951 before dutifully serving his country in the United States Army from 1953 to 1955, and earning his Bachelor’s degree in Business from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1957; and

Whereas, an avid sports fan who has enjoyed tailgating at Mizzou Tiger football games for more than forty years, Dick Arens has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife of forty-six years, Shirley; his three children and their spouses, Kim and John O’Fallon, Brad and Lynn Arens, and Jeff and Amanda Arens, all of Montgomery City; and his eight grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Dick Arens at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for 2003 Outstanding Achievement Award recipient, Richard L. Arens.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Sutherland
District No. 99

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4832, adopted December 15, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker